

## Sara R. Weaver

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**To:** Sara R. Weaver  
**Subject:** RE: Attention Medical Marijuana Establishment Members - Draft Regulations & Notice of Hearing

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**Subject:** Re: Attention Medical Marijuana Establishment Members - Draft Regulations & Notice of Hearing

Marla,

Good morning. I hope you and your staff had a great Presidents' Day.

Due to work travel, I will be unable to attend the February 19th Medical Marijuana Stakeholders Meeting. I will, however, be in attendance at the February 24th Medical Marijuana Stakeholders Meeting. These stakeholders' workshops are critical to the successful implementation - and understanding - of the Nevada Medical Marijuana Program. I thank you, again, for your work to make these workshops accessible, informative, and effective.

I will view tomorrow's meeting online, but would like to offer the following brief comments/inquiries to you and your staff ahead of the workshop. In my many discussions throughout Nevada with local leaders, business professionals, and industry experts, I recognize shared interest throughout the state on the following topics:

**(1) Can the department offer a general timetable when MME applications might be accepted? (April? May? June? Summer of 2014?)**

*Having a general idea when MME applications might be accepted, and processed, by the department would be a great compliment to MME applicants in their efforts to produce a complete and satisfactory application for the department.*

**(2) Has the department considered a multi-phase application review process to simplify and streamline the selection process of MME applicants for provisional certificates?**

*Many states now engaged in statewide medical marijuana regulatory programs have developed a 3-phase application review process to effectively manage staff time and resources to include: (1) Phase 1 - an initial screening of applicant background check(s) and successful demonstration of financial liquidity; (2) Phase 2 - a comprehensive analysis of the MME application and its mandatory components; (3) Phase 3 - an interview process - for those MME applicants who pass Phase 1 and Phase 2 - between the department and the applicant.*

*\*A 3-phase selection process can assist the department in their effort to effectively identify and process the most viable MME applicants and applications.*

**(3) How will the department ensure fairness in the "scoring" of MME applications to support quality and merit of an application while avoiding favoritism and partiality?**

*As we all know, S.B. 374 created a "merit based application process" - rather than a lottery - for interested MME applicants. As we have seen in other states, a Selection Committee comprised of nonpartisan and impartial staff members from the Department of Health and Human Services could successfully carry out the duties of said committee.*

I thank you for your continued leadership on all matters concerning medical marijuana management in the State of Nevada. Feel free to call on me anytime I can be of assistance to you or your staff. Best.

Max